

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK
U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

PABLO ROMERO,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 07-10045

D.C. No. CR-00-00186-SOM
District of Hawaii,
Honolulu

ORDER

The motion of Georgia K. McMillen, Esq., to withdraw as counsel of record under *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), is referred to the panel assigned to hear the merits of this appeal. The panel will conduct an independent review of the record. *See Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80-81 (1988). After it conducts its review, the merits panel will determine whether counsel may be allowed to withdraw and whether new counsel will be appointed. *See id.* at 83.

Appellant may file a pro se supplemental opening brief raising any issues by June 21, 2007. On or before July 20, 2007, appellee shall file the answering brief or notify this court that no answering brief will be filed. *See* 9th Cir. R. 31-2.3 (appellee's failure to file the answering brief or notify the court that no brief will be filed may result in the imposition of sanctions). If appellee files the answering

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brief, the optional reply brief will be due within 14 days after service of the answering brief.

The clerk of the district court shall forward to this court the clerk's record within 10 days of receipt of this order. *See* 9th Cir. R. 11-4.4.

Within 14 days of the date of this order, counsel shall serve a copy of this order on appellant and shall file notice on this court of such service.

For the Court

Deborah Teitler

Deborah Teitler
Staff Attorney/Deputy Clerk
9th Cir. R. 27-7
General Order 6.3(a)